[Khan Bahadur G. S. Abdul Karim Sahib Suhrawardy.]

2 from that place. In 1111 and 1112 out of 54 and 67 cases only 3 and 1 respectively were reported from Kollamcode. The previous years had only lesser number of cases. These circumstances do not justify the establishment of an outpost there.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: May I know whether there are one or two places which are within two miles from here?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: Yes, but they come under some other station.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: Will the possibility of shorter distances between one place and another tend to the neglect of reporting crime cases by the Police?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: Nearness between the two taluks will not in any way reduce the responsibility of police in the matter of finding out crime cases. Assuming that the area is surrounded by bad people, the police officers of the locality would certainly look to the interests of the villagers and protect them from molestation.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI: Is the member aware that there were some factions among the Mahomedans of the place?

KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: I know that and every assistance was rendered by the people there in that connection in order to restore good relations.

Public Holidays.

9. ***MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have reconsidered the question of restoring the public holidays;

(*b*) whether the Dewan-President has promised or undertaken to do so both in the Sri Mulam Assembly and Sri Chitra State Council; and

(*c*) if the answer to (*b*) is in the affirmative, the steps taken in the matter?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) *Vide* G. O. R. O. C. No. 6251/39/Genl., dated the 8th July 1940, published on pages 1496 and 1497 of Part I of the Government Gazette dated the 9th July 1940.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): May I know whether the Government are aware that actually no work is being turned out by the Judicial Department during special holidays?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: No, Sir.

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP: Then, will the Government call for a report on the work turned out by the Judicial Department on special holidays?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Yes.

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MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: May I know whether the Government are aware that during the last special holiday on the 32nd Mithunam 1115, in several Munsiff Courts, cases have been decided *ex-parte* when the Hindu members failed to present themselves before such courts?

MR M K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Government are not aware of that.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: Will they be pleased to enquire whether such cases have happened in the Nagercoil Munsiff's Court?

PRESIDENT: If the decisions are illegal, parties will fight out. What has Government got to do in the matter?

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: May I know whether it is not the duty of the presiding officers in courts to observe the rules regarding holidays when they relate to particular communities and not to decide cases affecting them *ex-parte*?

PRESIDENT: An appeal from the aggrieved side would set right that matter.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to see that the spirit of the special holidays is observed in the right way?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Special holidays are intended to be observed in the right spirit.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: Are the Government aware that such holidays have not been observed in the right spirit by the judiciary?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: I have already stated that the Government are not aware of that.

MR. P. S. MAHAMED (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): ഈ ലിസ്റ്റിൽ മുസ്ലീമിങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം ഏറ്റവും പ്രധാനപ്പെട്ട ഒരു ദിവസം ചന്ദ്രിക്ക് ഹാളിഡേ ആക്കിയിട്ടില്ലാ എന്നുള്ള വിവരം അറിയാമോ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: ഇപ്പോഴാണ് മനസ്സിലായത്. ആ ഒരു ദിവസം വേറെ ഒരു ദിവസത്തിനു പകരം മാറ്റുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു വിരോധമില്ല.

Prohibiting teachers from giving private tuition.

10. ***MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Education Department has issued any circular prohibiting teachers in aided schools from giving any private tuition without previous sanction of the Director; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether the same restrictions apply to:

(1) teachers in Government schools,

(2) employees in other Government departments?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*) and (*b*) (1) and (2) The answers are in the affirmative.

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